

(on letterhead, sent home with elementary/m.s. students, emailed to all TAG parents)
December 10, 2010

Dear parents,

I have been able to get two concession stands for this winter season. The funds raised at these events will be used to help offset some of the costs incurred when the students take their field trips. Last year each field trip's transportation alone cost the TAG program over \$350. Then there were play tickets and other fees beyond that cost. Without the concession stand profits supplementing those transportation costs, we would not be able to take the field trips. Each level earns a field trip every other year. This year is the middle school and high school levels' year, but I encourage elementary students to participate in these concession stand events if possible as well. Middle school and high school students are especially needed for the second shift each evening.

The two concession stands are for a wrestling meet and a basketball game. I would hope that many of the students and parents would be willing to sign up for one or more of the work times. The concession stand is the one at the high school commons area.

_____ has my permission to work the following time(s):
January 25, 2011, Tuesday - Basketball vs. Eagle Grove
___ 4:30 - 6:00 p.m.
___ 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.
___ 8:00 - 9:30 p.m.
___ I/We plan to help also. _____(names)

January 27, 2011, Thursday - Wrestling vs. Hampton-Dumont
___ 5:15 - 7:15 p.m.
___ 7:15 - 9:00 p.m.
___ I/We plan to help also. _____(names)

The tasks the students will be asked to do includes the usual concession tasks: filling pop, serving candy bars, pizza, fruit, popcorn. Adults or high school students will be in charge of running the popcorn machine or any other hot appliance.

Plans are underway for the high school trip to Kansas City for April 1-3 and for the middle school field trip on Tuesday, April 19. Not only will these concession stands make our field trips more affordable for the students and our ACSD TAG program, but will also give the students an opportunity to apply the people skills that are discussed in class and, I'm sure, in your home.

If you have questions, please contact me at 295-9447 or at home 295-3255, or email me at <cvandeventer@algona.k12.ia.us>.

Sincerely,
Chris VanDeventer
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